

## Filner Names El Centro Teacher To House Fellows Program

U.S. Congressman Bob Filner announced today that Nick Santana, a teacher from Southwest High School in El Centro, Calif., was chosen to take part in the 2010 House Fellows program. The week-long program gives teachers an insider's view of the House of Representatives.

"I'm proud to welcome Mr. Santana to our nation's capital!" said Congressman Filner. "This program is a great way for teachers to get an up-close look at how our government works and take all they've learned back to their students and other teachers."

The Office of the House Historian released the list of 46 individuals, including Mr. Santana, who were chosen in a highly competitive process to participate in the one-week intensive program on the history and practices of the House. Mr.

Santana will travel to Washington, D.C. to participate in the session running from Monday, July 12 through Friday, July 16.

Mr. Santana graduated from Southwest High School before going on to San Diego State University where he received his bachelor's degree. Then, after working as a UPS Operations Manager and a salesman, he moved back to El Centro and secured a position teaching A.P. U.S. History at his alma mater, Southwest High School. Mr. Santana is currently finishing his teaching credential and has plans to pursue a master's degree in education.

The House Fellows program began in 2006 as an interdisciplinary workshop for high school teachers focused on the history and practices of the House of Representatives.